



Robert Greene Sterne
Jorge A. Goldstein
David K.S. Cornwell
Robert W. Esmond
Tracy-Gene G. Durkin
Michele A. Cimbala
Michael B. Ray
Robert E. Sokohl
Eric K. Steffe
Michael Q. Lee
John M. Covert
Robert C. Millonig
Donald J. Featherstone
Timothy J. Shea, Jr
Michael V. Messinger
Judith U. Kim
Jeffrey T. Helvey

Eldora L. Ellison
Donald R. Banowitz
Peter A. Jackman
Brian J. Del Bruno
Mark Fox Evens
Vincent L. Capuano
Elizabeth J. Haanes
Michael D. Specht
Kevin W. McCabe
Edward W. Yee
Virgil Lee Beaton
Theodore A. Wood
Joseph S. Ostroff
Jason D. Eisenberg
Tracy L. Muller
Jon E. Wright
LuAnne M. DeSantis

Ann E. Summerfield
Helene C. Carlson
Cynthia M. Bouchez
Timothy A. Doyle
Gaby L. Longworth
Lori A. Gordon
Laura A. Vogel
Bryan S. Wade
Shannon A. Carroll
Anbar F. Khal
Michelle K. Holoubek
Marsha A. Rose
Scott A. Schaller
Lei Zhou
Young Tang
Christopher J. Walsh

W. Blake Coblenz*
James J. Pohl
John T. Haran
Mark W. Rygiel
Michael R. Malek*
Carla Ji-Eun Kim
Doyle A. Siever*
Alexandra K. Pechhold
C. Matthew Rozier*
Robert A. Schwartzman
Bryan L. Skelton*
Ulrike Winkler

Registered Patent Agents*
Karen R. Markowicz
Matthew J. Dowd
Katrina Yujian Pei Quach
Julie A. Heider

Mita Mukherjee
Scott M. Woodhouse
Peter A. Socarras
Jeffrey K. Mills
Danielle L. Letting
Lori Brandes
Steven C. Oppenheimer
Aaron S. Lukas
Gaurav Asthana

Of Counsel
Edward J. Kessler
Kenneth C. Bass III
Marvin C. Guthrie

*Admitted only in Maryland
*Admitted only in Virginia
*Practice limited to
Federal Agencies

May 14, 2007

WRITER'S DIRECT NUMBER:
(202) 772-8851
INTERNET ADDRESS:
RSCHWART@SKGF.COM

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attn: RCE

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/614,116; Filed: July 3, 2003
For: **Ketone Ligands for Modulating the Expression of Exogenous Genes
Via an Ecdysone Receptor Complex**
Inventors: TICE *et al.*
Our Ref: 2584.0020001/RWE/RAS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of **\$845.00** to cover:
\$395.00- surcharge for filing a RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114; (small entity);
\$450.00- Two (2) month extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) (small entity);
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
3. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
4. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114;
5. Declaration of Robert E. Hormann Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 with Exhibits 1-5 attached;
6. Power of Attorney to Prosecute Applications Before the USPTO; and
7. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).

The above-listed documents are filed electronically through EFS-Web.

Commissioner for Patents
May 14, 2007
Page 2

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Fee payment is provided through online credit card payment. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.



Robert A. Schwartzman, Ph.D.
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 50,211

RAS/las
Enclosures

675561_1.DOC